November 22, 2017

Senator Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
331 Hart Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Feinstein,

On behalf of the City of Albany, I applaud your sponsorship of the Assault Weapons Ban of 2017. This legislation will not stop every mass shooting going forward, but is an important step in reducing the number of these weapons in our communities and in the hands of those committed to doing evil as well as those suffering from a mental health crisis.

As a nation we have failed our communities by refusing to act after a shooting, saying it is disrespectful to the victims. I believe as you stated so well that we are late in extending the original ban allowing hundreds more to be murdered and injured by these weapons of war. It is time for our inaction to stop.

We urge our California Senators to support this important firearms legislation.

Sincerely,

Peggy McQuaid
Albany Mayor